

Interview Summary

Application No.
09/291,983

Applicant(s)
Martin et al.

Examiner
Clark F. Dexter

Group Art Unit
3724



All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Mr. Bryan Collins

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(2) Mr. Clark Dexter

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Date of Interview Oct 13, 2000

Type: ☒ Telephonic ☐ Personal (copy is given to ☐ applicant ☐ applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: ☐ Yes ☒ No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement ☐ was reached. ☒ was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: 1

Identification of prior art discussed:

David and Wells (i.e., the applied prior art)

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

Mr. Collins faxed a proposed amendment (attached in file) to further define the present invention over the prior art. Mr. Collins' position is that the prior art does not teach or fairly suggest an I-beam-shaped frame member which is arcuate in shape and wherein the arcuate shape extends substantially the entire length of the frame member such that the upper end cap portion of the frame member is in tension and the lower end cap portion of the frame member is in compression. Mr. Dexter stated that applicant's arguments would be further considered upon receipt of the formal amendment.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. ☐ Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.

Examiner Note: You must sign and stamp this form unless it is an attachment to a signed Office action.

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